

1.0 Judicial Conduct Commission**Summary**

The Judicial Conduct Commission is a quasi-independent agency that investigates and resolves complaints against Utah judges.

Financial Summary

Judicial Conduct Commission	FY 1999	FY 2000	
Financing	Estimated	Analyst	Difference
General Fund	\$216,700	\$216,900	\$200
Beginning Nonlapsing	47,600		(47,600)
Closing Nonlapsing			
Total	\$264,300	\$216,900	(47,400)
Programs			
Judicial Conduct Commission	\$264,300	\$216,900	(\$47,400)

2.0 Budget Highlights**2.1 Response to Intent
Language**

The following language was passed during the 1998 General Session:

It is the intent of the Legislature that the funding for the Judicial Conduct Commission be nonlapsing.

The Judicial Conduct Commission uses nonlapsing funds to finance current expenses derived from contracting with private sector investigators and with private law firms.

3.0 Judicial Conduct Commission

3.1 Summary

judges. The staff consists of a Director and an Administrative Assistant who manage

percent of all claims result in dismissal and ten percent receive a formal hearing. The following table details the number of complaints initiated over the last four years:

Complaints Investigated by the Judicial Conduct Commission	
FY 1995	115
FY 1996	84
FY 1997	72
FY 1998	95
FY 1999	125*
* Projected through June 30, 1999	

3.2 Analyst Recommendation

The Analyst recommends a budget of \$216,900. In the past, the Judicial Conduct Commission has been under the purview of the State Auditor. Beginning with the 1999 General Session, the Judicial Conduct Commission will be treated as part of the mandated costs in the Division of Finance. The JCC will continue to operate as an independent entity, as provided in the Utah Constitution.

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General Fund	\$211,000	\$216,700	\$216,900	\$200
Beginning Nonlapsing	24,200	47,600		(47,600)
Closing Nonlapsing	(47,600)			
Total	\$187,600	\$264,300	\$216,900	(47,400)
Expenditures				
Personal Services	\$152,900	\$160,100	\$160,100	
In-State Travel	1,800	1,800	1,800	
Out-of-State Travel	600	600	600	
Subtotal Travel	\$2,400	\$2,400	\$2,400	
Current Expense	32,100	101,600	54,200	(\$47,400)
Data Processing	200	200	200	
Total	\$187,600	\$264,300	\$216,900	(\$47,400)
FTE Standard	2.0	2.0	2.0	
Total	2.0	2.0	2.0	

Note: The total budget amounts shown here are reflected as part of the Finance – Mandated line in the Department Totals section of this budget recommendation.

3.2 Annual Report

The Judicial Conduct Commission is required to file an annual report. The report follows the 4.0 section of this document.

4.0 Tables: Judicial Conduct Commission

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